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The Howl sells out



Nick Carpenter photo

STUDENTS DANCE IN THE Fieldhouse during the Howl on Friday night. The Howl sold out for the second year in a row and an hour before last year's did. See Howl photo spread on page 6.

► **By Chris Farnes**
staff writer

Utah State University's famous Halloween party, the Howl, continued its traditions Saturday with a sell-out crowd and a few arrests.

The Howl sold out at the fire code capacity limit of 6,000 at 9:50 p.m., almost an hour earlier than last year. The event's organizer, Jacob Scott, was pleased with how this year's Howl turned out.

"I am so happy with the way everything turned out," Scott said. "The staff and volunteers were huge in the success and we accomplished the goals I set for the event."

Scott credited the selling out to the popularity of the artist,

Mike Posner, and the reach of the event's many advertisements.

"It could be because we marketed differently than last year or it could be because we marketed the name Mike Posner more and bigger on the posters and all of our social media," Scott said.

Scott said that in order to sell out, the Howl needed the proper entertainment.

"Selling out all depends on the entertainment," he said. "Last year we had Shiny Toy Guns and they sold out. The year before they chose not to have a singer, they brought a hypnotist and a contortionist instead and they didn't sell out. I think having the artist brings a different and bigger

crowd."

Scott and his planning committee realize that the nature

Jacob Scott
Howl organizer

"We are expecting people to be drinking and under the influence of who knows what."

of having a party as big as the Howl comes with risks and potential hazards.

"Because it's Halloween everyone is in party mode," Scott said. "We are expecting people to be drinking and under the influence of who knows what. People who come to the Howl tend to act crazy but they are there to have a good time and that's just the nature of the dance and concert. We want everyone to have fun, we are here to increase student life but with that comes risk."

This year's crowd kept volunteers and police officers busy throughout the night. Officers from Logan City Police Department, Utah Highway Patrol and the USU Police Department were in

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Student Health Services hosts alcohol awareness activities

► **By Kaitlin Bluemil**
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Student Health Services held their Alcohol Awareness Day Thursday on the Taggart Student Center Patio to bring attention to alcohol addiction and irresponsible drinking. Tables were set up with several facts and hand outs as well as activities for those that stopped by the table.

One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five college students die from alcohol-related injuries and 599,000 are unintentionally injured while under the influence; 3,360,000 students between the ages of 18 and 24 drive under the influence of alcohol.

Several activities were available for participants, including a "brick wall" built out of paper squares for people to write on about their experience with alcohol or advice for those that drink alcohol to create a brick wall of alcohol awareness. Another activity



Annie Hall photo

SENIOR BRANDY MOURITSEN attempts the beer goggle obstacle course at the TSC patio for National Alcohol Awareness Day.

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Nation & World

In brief

Shooting at high school in Washington

Officials have released that the shooter at the Washington state high school had texted his five victims and asking them to join him at lunch.

In the cafeteria at Marysville-Pilchuck High School, Jaylen Fryberg, 15, fired a .40-caliber Beretta, the Snohomish County Sheriff's office reported Monday. The gun was purchased legally and was registered to a family member.

Two of the students shot by Fryberg have died; the other tree are hospitalized in critical to satisfactory condition.

New federal guidelines for medics aiding Ebola patients

Federal health officials have improved guidelines for doctors and nurses returning home to the United States from treating Ebola patients in West Africa.

Dr. Thomas Frieden, director of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), said most medical workers returning home from the countries at the center of the epidemic would require daily monitoring without isolation; voluntary home quarantine should be called for those at a high risk.

New York and New Jersey are among a handful of states to impose mandatory quarantines on returning doctors and nurses amid fears of the virus spreading.

The Obama administration's new guidelines are not mandatory; states have the right to put their own stricter policies in place.

Man disappears after Denver Broncos game

A 53-year-old man has disappeared after attending the Bronco-Chargers game Thursday night. Denver police are now calling this a missing persons case.

Paul Kitterman, a 53-year-old man from Kremmling, Colorado seemingly vanished in the Sports Authority Field crowd after the game Thursday night. He was attending the game with his son and a friend.

Suicide bomber kills 27 people

A suicide bomber has killed at least 27 Shiite militiamen outside the Iraqi town of Jurf al-Sakhar, army and police sources say.

The attacker was driving a Humvee vehicle packed with explosives. They also wounded 60 Shiite Muslim militiamen, who had helped government forces retake the town just south of the capital.

Iraqis are bracing for more attacks on Shiites as they are preparing for the religious festival of Ashura, an event next week which defines Shiism and its rift with Sunni Islam.

Iranian woman hanged

Iranian woman Reyhaneh Jabbari, age 26, was hanged Saturday for killing her would-be rapist. In 2007 Morteza Abdolali Sarbandi, a former Iranian intelligence officer, called her to his office and attempted to rape her. She admitted in court to stabbing Sarbani in self defense when he tried to sexually assault her, but she claimed it was another man in the house who killed him. She was sentenced to death at the conclusion of her trial in 2009. Iranian officials demanded a retrial but it never happened.

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Parent weekend continues to grow

► **By Brenna Kelly**
staff writer

Parent and Family Weekend was celebrated last weekend, giving students an opportunity to share their Aggie experience with their families.

A 25-year-old tradition, Parent and Family Weekend started as Aggie Family Day in 1989. Throughout the years, it has evolved into a celebration that involves many groups on campus - this year alone, there was involvement from Student Orientation and Transition Services, Involvement, Alumni, Athletics, Dining Services and

Admissions. The event has more participating sponsors each year.

According to Leslie Buxton, Program Coordinator on campus, fall is the optimal time for families to visit campus.

"Having partially completed the fall semester, (students) have established their daily routines and are excited to show their families where they study, go to class, spend free-time, cheer on the Aggies, etc," Buxton said. "Students are so proud of being an Aggie that they want their

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Food day provides healthy options

► **By Connor Comeau**
staff writer

Healthy food options were on display for students and faculty in the Taggart Student Center at the annual Food Day Thursday hosted by the Utah State University Nutrition, Dietetics and Food Sciences program. The program explores a variety of food topics; this year's event focused on plant-based options and how to shop for them on a budget.

"Shopping on a budget for any college student can seem overwhelming," said Madeline Beus, a senior majoring in dietetics.

Beus added that there are many places to get healthy options such as a regular grocery store and natural foods stores.

There were several booths setup so people could try plant-based foods for themselves. Some of the foods on display were green smoothies, Hadig, a type of oatmeal found in Armenia, and black bean salad.

Shelby Newby, a junior majoring in dietetics, said most of these foods are available for anyone that is on a budget, especially college students.

"It is very important that college-age students know what kinds of healthy foods are out there and how they can manage with little money," Newby said.

In addition to managing healthy foods on a budget, Newby said it can be easier to break down the cost of certain foods according to its serving size so people can get the right

amount of food for the right amount of money.

With so many healthy and plant-based foods available, Newby also said it is a good idea to get most fruits, vege-

tables and other healthy foods when they are in season. This is when the food is at its best quality and the price is reasonably low for consumers.

There are other non fruit

and vegetable items people can buy, Beus said.

"In addition to having fruits and vegetables stored away, people should also consider buying and storing certain

foods such as beans, pasta, rice and tortillas," Beus said.

Overall, Beus said the turnout was very impressive and hopes that people are now more aware of the healthy

options and are able to be more budget conscious.

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Ryan Costanzo photo

JENNA NAYLOR, AN EXCERSIZE SCIENCE MAJOR, presents healthy food options to students at Food Day in the Taggart Student Center on Friday.

Howl

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attendance for crowd control and law enforcement.

"There are no final numbers yet, but I can tell you that we were kept very, very busy," said Lieutenant Jeff Simmons of the Logan City Police Department. "A final arrest tally hasn't been determined yet but will be in the next few days."

Despite not having an exact number of arrests made, Simmons said this was the worst Howl for arrests of the past few that he has overseen.

"We brought 10 officers and I know that one pair alone had seven arrests in a parking lot that were alcohol related," Simmons said. "It had been pretty mellow for the last few years, but this is the worst Howl I've been to by far."

In addition to the large number of police officers present, the staff and volunteers

in charge of the Howl went through training to identify and address people who were a threat to public safety.

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Lieutenant LCDP

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"There are risks at any event we have, whether its Po-Bev or High Stakes Bingo or the Howl," Scott said. "We are always on the lookout for potential dangers, but it is hard when you have 6,000 people in one venue at one time. We have about 120 trained volunteers that go through a risk management and crowd control program and training that is done through the police department."

Despite the police being kept busy, Scott said that there were only minor issues they had to deal with at this year's Howl.

"We changed the way the students enter and exit the Fieldhouse and, after last night, I think we will go back to doing it the way before for Mardi Gras," Scott said. "There was more congestion than there has been in the past. It's always a learning process."

Scott believes that the changes made for this year's Howl were well received. Some of those changes included the artist, Mike Posner, the rein-

roduction of Club Hub, and new sponsors, in particular Rockstar Energy Drink.

"Club Hub was the only new thing I brought back," Scott said. "It was a little slow to take off at the beginning but the last two hours of the event were pretty packed down there. I have only good things to say about our sponsors, especially Rockstar. They were so great to work with as well the entire weekend and made the Howl like never before."

Scott said that he knew that this year's Howl would be a success because of the amount of student participation at USU.

"What I love so much about Utah State so much is that the students want to go to the events, they want to have fun. I know that the students are going to go: it's on campus, it's on the weekend and its something fun to do and people love Halloween."

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Alcohol

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was a beer goggle obstacle course, provided by USU Police. The beer goggles simulated the blood alcohol content of .12 to .25 percent, which is above the legal limit of .08%. One of the first volunteers was Brandy Mouritsen, a senior majoring in social work.

"It's weird," Mouritsen said. "I've never drank before so I've never had that sensation ever and I've seen people drunk before and they walk like this and I felt like I was doing that myself. I hit two cones. I thought I went way wide around them."

Mouritsen said she did not enjoy the feeling of being intoxicated and does not want to drink.

"I've never had that sensation before," she said. "After I took the goggles off I still felt wobbly."

Travis Dunn with USU Police said there were 94 separate occasions of alcohol use on campus during the 2013-2014 school year, not including the summer. A lot of these

instances involved underage drinkers. During the development of the human brain there are three "peaks" of development. These peaks happen at 2-3 years of age, 6 years of age and from 14-15 years of age. After 15 years, brain development starts to go down and the development scale levels out at about 20-21 years, which is why 21 is the legal drinking age. The consumption of alcohol during brain development causes reduced brain activity.

Joshua Tucker, a senior majoring in engineering, said he is an experienced drinker and compared the obstacle course to actually being drunk.

"It was very much a headache, that was miserable," Tucker said. "It's very effective at not letting your eyesight and brain be able to copy and affix your offset vision. It's actually fairly close. I lost balance a few times."

Chandra Marsh, a sophomore majoring in nutrition, finished the obstacle course with one statement: "Well I'm never going to get drunk."

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Family

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parents, younger siblings and in some cases grandparents to come and see how great their college life is."

There was an autumn theme to this year's celebration. Locally-sourced apple cider and donuts were provided for families at the library reception Friday and community events included Logan's famous pumpkin walk, corn mazes, scare houses and theatrical events. Campus tours, which were hosted by Admissions, gave families the opportunity to witness Utah State's seasonal splendor.

"Parent and Family Weekend events have been different each year due to varied department involvement and event dates/times of year," Buxton said.

Festivities began Friday at 9 a.m., and families catered to their interests throughout the day. There were more than 22 events held over the next 48 hours ranging from sporting events, to campus tours, to a

masquerade comedy show.

A highlight for many families was the tailgate and barbecue held at the Romney Stadium parking lot. USU later beat UNLV by a score of 34-20. Freshman Halea Walker attended both events.

"The food was really good and it was a great opportunity to spend time with family," Walker said. "And the game was a really great way to get my siblings excited about Aggie life."

In collaboration with USU Athletics, general admission football tickets were discounted. In the future, Parent and Family Weekend will see even more involvement from Athletics — sports clinics taught by USU student athletes will be offered for the young children in attendance.

"Parent and Family weekend connect(s) more people to Utah State University and each other," Buxton said. "It also creates one more opportunity for alumni, parents and students to share experiences and build relationships with one another."

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Annie Hall photo

Congressmen to speak at USU

► By Brenna Kelly
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Congressmen Rob Bishop and Mike Simpson are scheduled to present Tuesday night as a part of the Utah State University Institute of Government and Politics' Policy Forum Presentations. The event will be held at the Merrill-Cazier Library in room 101.

"Between the experienced and often-candid personality of representatives Bishop, Simpson, and Doug Foxley, this is sure to be an entertaining and substantive event," said Jashon Bishops, a student who played an integral role in arranging the presentation. "We've been really excited about this event and know students will have a great time."

Rob Bishop was elected to represent Utah's first district in 2002, and has now served 16 years in the Utah House of Representatives. Mike Simpson spent 14 years in the Idaho House of Representatives, serving the last six of those years as Speaker of the House and is now in his eighth term in Congress. Bishop

also spent time as Speaker of the House, as well as Majority Leader.

Both congressmen are on committees that affect Utah State directly, particularly where Agriculture and Natural Resources are concerned. Bishop serves on the Natural Resources committee, and Simpson is on the House of Appropriations, which has subcommittees dealing with environmental and water development appropriations. Students can expect to hear a great deal of information dealing with themselves as the issues Bishop and Simpson are dealing with will affect students, USU and the state of Utah.

This event is part of a series of policy forums hosted by the IOGP. Recent events included "Pizza and Politics," featuring Salt Lake Tribune journalist Robert Gehrke, and presentations by Lieutenant Governor Spencer Cox and Judge Robert Shelby. Upcoming events can be viewed on USU IOGP's Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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Swiping right on matchmaking app leads to one student's wedding vows

► **By Alyssa Hawkins**
staff writer

A profile picture, a 500-character personal bio and a "swipe right" could result in not only a "match" but also a future spouse through Tinder.

The matchmaking mobile app, Tinder, is becoming increasingly popular among young adults, especially in Utah.

For freshman Abbey Saxton, who is studying elementary and deaf education, Tinder had a much larger impact on her life than she originally planned. What was at first just another fun app turned out to be the source through which she would meet her fiancé, Andrew Knight.

"I didn't really have any expectations or doubts about Tinder really," Saxton said. "I mean, I wasn't on there with the assumption that I would find my future husband, but hey, whatever works."

Online dating was a bit tricky for Saxton and Knight, especially when it came down to meeting an online stranger face-to-face for the

first time.

"It actually took a lot of convincing—like three hours' worth—but I finally got him to agree and we met up that night," Saxton said.

For Knight, the feelings of the experience were similar.

"We met after a lot of convincing on her part, because I was not sure about meeting someone I had just started talking to that same night," he said.

Although Saxton and Knight had a positive experience with Tinder, both have their reservations about the app's use.

"Tinder can be pretty much whatever you want it to be," Knight said. "Some people use it to find someone to hook up with and nothing more. Others use it to just meet cool people and talk. But I love it for the fact that I think it helped me meet some really cool people and the love of my life."

Searching through the endless list of potential matches was a bit of a challenge for Saxton. In fact, it took several weeks and a lot of sorting before she finally

found her fiancé.

"There were a few funny things I encountered on Tinder, actually," Saxton said. "I had a guy who would write me extravagant novels, but they were really weird. That guy had too much time on his hands."

After meeting each other, both Saxton and Knight deleted their Tinder accounts.

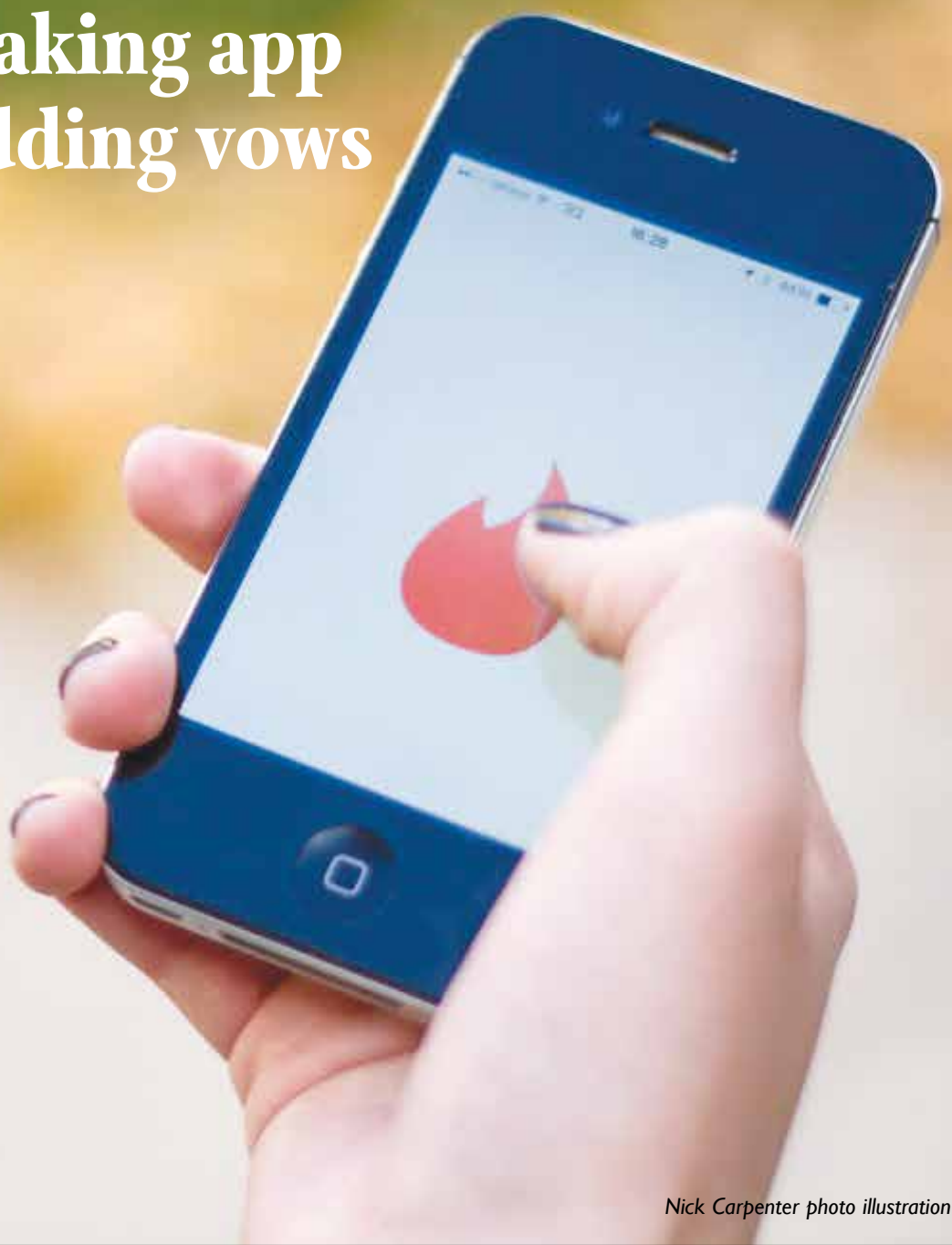
"I had a Tinder account for about four months," Knight said. "After meeting Abbey, I got rid of it as I no longer needed it."

The app connects users within a certain radius to other people with similar interests. Through Facebook, the app analyzes basic user information such as geographical location, common interests and mutual friends, and matches potential candidates most likely to be compatible.

"The person can't very easily lie about what they look like," Saxton said. "You know they're real because it is connected to Facebook."

Jenny Castle, a freshman

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Nick Carpenter photo illustration

Improv group back in time for Halloween antics



Annie Hall photo

MEMBERS OF THE ANTICS PERFORM an improvisational comedy routine at the masquerade show at the Dansante Theatre last week.

► **By Sadie Herrera**
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Improvisational comedy takes an interactive approach with the return of the Antics comedy troupe, just in time for the annual Halloween costume show.

The group started as a university club, said club founder John Terry. Terry founded the group in 2008 before moving to Nebraska.

"As we got more developed, we changed our name to the Antics, and then as we got to the Antics and stuff, we broke away from the club and started performing more professionally at a venue every Friday night," Terry said. "So we have USU Improv Club and then the Antics."

Though there was some confusion over the split between the Antics and the Utah State improv club, Terry said there was no break, they just "grew and split off."

Spencer Barry, a junior in communication studies, joined the group in 2008. Af-

ter being introduced to the group by a friend, Barry went on to co-manage with Liz Morley, who graduated last year with a degree in general studies. Morley, like Barry, joined in 2008. Though Morley had never had no previous improv experience, she said she enjoyed it immediately.

"It was really fun," Morley said. "I just like performing."

Barry said the group brings people together and creates bonds.

"Some of the friendships that I've made have been really good, and that's just really helpful," Barry said. "It's a good stress reliever."

The group is highly interactive with the audience, encouraging all age groups to attend due to the family-friendly skits and laughs. The group maintains a wholesome feel, Terry said.

"It's a family-friendly improv group," Terry said. "There's no swearing, no dirty jokes. We encourage families to come. Improv

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Costume, activity advice for the holiday weekend

Finding a costume that is both sensational and reasonably priced can be a challenge, especially on a college student budget. The question of whether to be a vampire or a superhero seems petty when looking at the prices of a store-bought costume. Nobody needs to break the bank just to find the perfect Halloween costume.

If you're struggling to find some original and inexpensive costume ideas, may I offer one simple piece of advice—Pinterest. The chic site includes clever, funny and spooky costume ideas that are easy and memorable. There are thousands of tips and tricks for dressing up or accenting a costume, as well as makeup tutorials that help to create that perfect effect for any Halloween costume. Another place to look (if Pinterest

Alyssa Hawkins



She says

is a bit of a stretch for some) would be Desert Industries. Savvy DIY-goers swear by this place, not only because of the low price, but because of the eccentric and original finds within. From classic Army gear to an authentic pair of Converse, the DIY is a college student's best friend when it comes to finding the perfect Halloween costume.

Of course, there also comes the questions of scary or pretty? Funny or classic? Remember the scene in Mean Girls when Lindsay Lohan dressed as a dead zombie

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Colten Van Tussenbrook



He says

Although some college students might have high hopes of acquiring candy on Halloween night, most moms and dads are not crazy about giving their Snickers and Kit-Kats to 18-year-olds. Collegiate trick-or-treating seems to be frowned upon. The Howl has come and gone so you may wonder what else there is to do.

There always seem to be various parties going on in Logan; Facebook generally blows up the week before Halloween with them. These parties can be hit or miss. They usually consist of dancing, maybe an awkward game or two and food. If it's not a costume party, don't bother.

A costume is a must for Halloween weekend. Don't be that guy or girl who shows up wearing Levi's and a polo shirt. If you don't find a party to attend, call a couple of friends, order a pizza and watch a scary movie. You can go for a truly creepy movie such as "Silence of the Lambs," or a classic such as "Wait Until Dark" (if you're with a significant other, Audrey Hepburn is always a good choice).

Although we may have outgrown our Spiderman costumes from 4th grade, we can still enjoy Halloween. All you need is some good company, a good attitude and maybe some candy corn. And if Halloween isn't your thing, just remember that Thanksgiving is less than a month away.

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Humans of USU: Senior loves to run, watch Supernatural



Thakary Minson photo

SENIOR MONICA ALEXANDER SITS OUTSIDE while considering her favorite Halloween candy and movies during an interview last week.

The Utah Statesman interviewed Monica Alexander, a senior in technical writing from Price, Utah.

Utah Statesman: Why do you study technical writing?
Monica Alexander: I took a career test over in the career center because I have been in many different majors before and they didn't suit me. I saw travel writing, and who wants to travel and write? I do. That's what I've kind of based my major path on.

US: What is your greatest accomplishment?
MA: Making it this far; being able to work my way up to a college education. Not a lot of my family has actually graduated from high school and college so having that is really important in my life and their life.

US: What is your greatest fear?
MA: Not being able to use my degree at all because there's a lack of jobs, lack of ability to find them. It just worries me.

US: What is your spirit animal and why?
MA: A unicorn because it's bright and brilliant, and I like to be out there.

US: What is unique about you?
MA: My love of running and breaking myself, I guess. I just recently broke my foot. It's actually probably still broken. It's a stress fracture. I'm supposed to be wearing a boot, but it's so annoying.

US: Favorite Halloween candy?
MA: Dove or Hershey's. You just stick them in your pocket, and they don't melt. They last for years.

US: What are your plans for Halloween?
MA: Watch scary movies, Supernatural. Oh, Dean!

US: What's your favorite Halloween movie?
MA: My favorite Halloween movie would have

to be "Waxwork." I don't know if anyone knows what that is. It's an older movie, it's really cool. It's kind of weird, but they're able to travel through time through these different wax features. It's really bad graphics because it's in the '80s, but it's really good. I hate "Chucky," but I like to watch it because it scares me. A really good one that just came out is "The Possession of Michael King." It's horrifying. I don't get scared easily, but it's terrifying.

US: What is your favorite part about the Howl?
MA: I like the palm readers and the tarot card readers. They're really interesting. There was one year I went and they gave me my past life. They said that I hated my mother, which is not true, and that I was a runaway slave and I wanted to get away from my family which is completely untrue. So I don't know where they got that. They also told my friend that he was a Nazi German scientist, so we don't know. It's interesting. I also really like the music. Last year's performance was spectacular.

US: What is one change you want to see in the world?
MA: Acceptance of everybody. Everybody's different, so why should we judge someone based on the choices that they make? I keep seeing people posting on my Facebook, "oh, they chose it" and "it's wrong" and "God is going to judge them, it's all their fault," and no, it's not their fault. It's just life, and that's just how we should be. People are people. Especially with gay rights. I keep having people telling me they can't get married, and it's like, why? My view on marriage is I don't believe in it, but if they want to do that, fine. That's their choice. It makes me angry that we can't accept people for who they are.

US: Favorite Netflix series?
MA: Supernatural. I've watched from season six to season nine since the beginning of summer. I'm trying to catch up. They just released season 10 and it's been a pain.

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does get a rep of, you know, you go get alcohol, people get a little tipsy and want to hear dirty jokes. That's the cop-out, I

would say."
Barry said the audience interaction is his favorite part.
"When you're on stage and you're just up there and you're creating something together," he said. "We're making something with the audience. It's a really unique experience. It's different

every time. It's just really rewarding to have a show where you feel good about it."
Though the shows are for entertainment, those involved can also gain vital life skills, Terry said.
"The idea behind the Antics was that we wanted to be a stu-

dent organization that teaches improv to people and gives them good social life skills that will help them through everyday life, public speaking, things like that," he said.
Barry said the group helps students develop creative skills as well.

"It's a really good thing for a lot of reasons," he said. "It's something that's really good for developing creativity and developing communication skills and learning to think on your feet. It's something that can help you become a better person."
Those interested in participating with Antics improv can attend monthly practice sessions. The group performs a couple times a month on Fridays at the Dansante theater. The troupe also holds workshops, comedy festival, charity shows and theme nights, such as the Masquerade show last weekend. Last year, a "No-shave November" show was put on, Barry said.
This weekend the group will perform annual Halloween show. Attendees can expect improvisors dressed in costumes, drawing for prizes as well as a costume contest, Morley said. Those who come to the show in costume also receive double entry into the drawing for prizes.
"It's really cheap. It's only five dollars," Morley said. "It's way more entertaining than a movie because it's all live." She said it was more entertaining than a night spent watching Netflix.
The Antics Halloween show is Friday at 9:30 p.m. at the Dansante theater on 59 S 100 W in Logan.

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She says

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bride and scared the party guests half to death? If you are going to a costume party this Halloween, you want to wear something that makes a statement, without making you stick out like a sore thumb. But what you really want is a costume that defines you. Halloween is all about dressing to impress, but don't forget who you are in the process. Don't be a zombie because "The Walking Dead" is the most popular show out there. Be a zombie because you like zombies. Be who you want

to be. If you find yourself having a hard time coming up with an individual costume, group costumes are always a good route. Whatever you end up doing, just remember that nobody needs to pay an arm and a leg to find the perfect costume this Halloween season.

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Tinder

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in food science, made her account about a week ago and has already met a number of people through Tinder.
"I think Tinder is successful," she said. "I have been able to talk to a lot of new people."
Tinder receives some criticism for its appearance-based matchmaking process. Based on a single picture, users can anonymously like or reject another user by swiping either right or left. If two users like each other, a "match" results. A chat feature then opens up to the two users.
For Joshua Clyde, a senior in exercise science, Tinder is a quick way to meet people, although not the best route.
"I think anywhere outside of Utah, people use it just for booty calls or things like that," he said. "Here, they might take it more seriously and look for relationships, but I think that meeting people in person is much better than Tinder."

Clyde, who had the app for four months, heard of Tinder and the stereotypes associated with it.
"I really don't like the concept of it at all," he said. "I feel like it makes people more judgmental than they should be because they're basing everything off of just a picture they see. It doesn't have anything to do with personality or anything. I was doing it just out of pure curiosity. I wasn't planning on using it to ever date anyone."
Clyde succeeded in meeting others on Tinder, but the relationships formed through the app did not progress very far.
"I went on dates with probably six different people, but it would involve just a single date and I never saw them again after that," Clyde said.
As for Saxton and Knight, they plan to finish their Tinder experience by tying the knot at the end of the year.
"We're shooting for New Year's Eve," Saxton said. "That way everybody in the world will just be having a huge party and we can say it's all for us."

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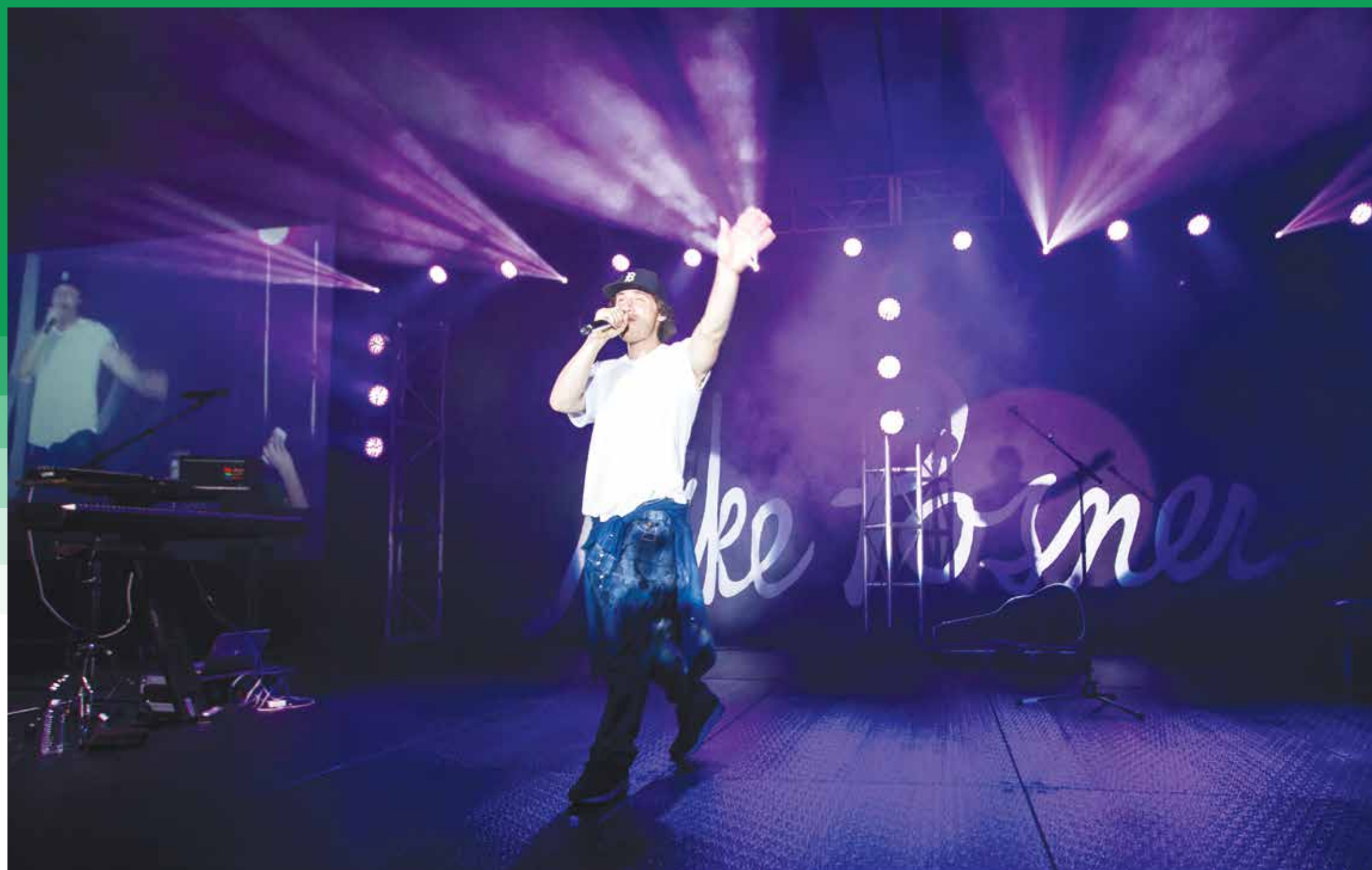
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Aggies top UNLV 34-20, lose Harrison

► **By Logan Jones**
sports editor

Saturday marked another conference win for Utah State football and another quarterback sidelined with an injury, as the Aggies defeated UNLV 34-20 at home to improve their record to 5-3 on the season.

Third-string quarterback Craig Harrison made the most of his second career start before going down in the third quarter with an apparent leg injury, throwing for 221 yards and three touchdowns while gaining 39 yards on the ground.

"I thought Craig played well," said USU head coach Matt Wells following the win. "He was very efficient and consistent. He managed the play well and got the guys rallied around him. He did a nice job up until the injury."

Wells added concern that Harrison's injury could be major.

"It looks like he may be out for a while," Wells said. "We'll know more once we get MRIs and X-rays, but it doesn't look good."

Freshman fourth-stringer Kent Meyers picked up where Harrison left off, starting the



Kylee Larsen photo

UTAH STATE RUNNING BACK Joe Hill runs the ball against the UNLV Rebels Saturday. Hill caught a career-long 69-yard touchdown from Craig Harrison, helping the Aggies to a 34-20 victory.

fourth quarter for the Aggies with a 73-yard drive capped by a Joe Hill touchdown. Meyers threw for 41 yards and rushed for another 18 on the drive.

UNLV's hopes for a comeback were silenced by two late-game interceptions by the Aggie defense, an aspect of USU's game that was notably

absent from last week's contest against Colorado State. The Aggies, who added a fumble recovery to their two picks against UNLV Saturday, have

now forced 22 turnovers in their past seven games.

Eight different Aggies have recorded interceptions this season, but defending the run is where USU does its best work. Utah State now ranks fourth in the nation in run defense, allowing opposing teams a mere 89 yards per game on the ground. The Aggies' defensive pressure also nets USU 3.88 sacks per game, more than any FBS school in the country besides Utah's five sacks per game and Washington's 4.25. Utah State improved that number Saturday with six sacks against the Rebels.

The Aggies now sit in the middle of the Mountain West pack with a conference record of 2-1, having overcome a remarkable number of injuries to key starters.

"I've never seen this before and I never hope to see it

again," Wells said. "But we're faced with it. It's adversity at its finest and highest level I've ever seen. I won't minimize it for those three quarterbacks, but I've got Tyler Fackrell, Alex Huerta, Tavaris McMillan and Brandon Swindall out

too. They're all starters. I'm hurt for those kids."

Despite the unfortunate string of injuries, athletes continue to step up for the Aggies. Junior wide-out JoJo Natson posted a career-high 124 receiving yards Saturday, including a ca-

JoJo Natson
wide receiver

"We're rallying around new quarterbacks every week. Every time someone gets hurt, someone steps up."

reer-best 71-yard touchdown catch. Senior running back Joe Hill added his own career-long touchdown reception, snagging a 69-yard strike from Harrison for his first touchdown catch of the season. Senior Nick Diaz knocked down a season-long 49-yard field goal.

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Women's soccer clinches spot in tournament

► **By Laura Miego**
staff writer

Utah State women's soccer played its final home game of the season Sunday against the University of Nevada at Chuck and Gloria Bell field. The Aggies improved to 10-6-2 for the season and a 6-3-1 conference record. Utah State University is currently tied for fourth in the Mountain West, and has clinched a spot in the conference tournament.

This was the last home game for seniors Taryn Rose, Lauren Roundy, Brooke Larsen-Leavitt, Lexie Morgan, Kylie Dibb and Ambryn McCallson.

The match was a must-win for the Aggies to secure a spot in tournament after a 1-0 loss to UNLV Friday.

The Aggies wasted no time in putting themselves on the board during the game. The first goal of the match came in the 12th minute when senior Lexie Morgan crossed a ball to the center where it was found by senior Lauren Roundy, who hit it high into the net for her second goal of

the season.

Just over a minute later, Utah State struck again. Sophomore forward Jessica Brooksby dribbled the ball down the middle of the field, crossing it to the edge of the box where she found freshman Wesley Hamblin. Hamblin found a clear spot through the box and netted her second goal of the season.

The Aggies lead the Wolf Pack 2-0 at half time.

With the second half underway, the Aggies added a third goal in the 59th minute of the game. Brooksby continued her assist streak by completing a give-and-go with sophomore midfielder Katie Flynn who found the back of the net. It was Flynn's second goal of the season.

Another goal opportunity was set up from sophomore defender Karlee Campbell who took full control of the ball in the back, finding Junior midfielder Maris Hamblin in the center of the field. A one-touch possession, Hamblin turned and found Senior midfielder Kylie Dibb who shot just outside the 18-yard

box into the right upper 90 of the goal. Fittingly, this was Dibb's second goal of the season.

Utah State ended senior night with a 4-0 win and a guaranteed tournament berth.

The Aggies out-shot Nevada 17-7 with nine shots on goal, while the Wolf Pack was stifled by the Aggie defense and had no shots on goal.

The foul count was nearly even with Nevada 10 fouls to USU's 11. The Wolf Pack also had three yellow card cautions on their team.

Senior Lauren Roundy was pleased with the Aggies' final home effort.

"It felt really good," Roundy said. "I couldn't ask for a better game to say farewell to my home field. Great game, it just felt good."

Roundy added her excitement after her second goal of the year.

"My goal, I saw it bounce a little and I was almost as shocked as everyone else and it was probably

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SENIOR TARYN ROSE KICKS a ball on Senior day against Nevada. The Aggies beat Nevada 4-0 Sunday to clinch a spot in the Mountain West tournament.

Cardinals lose promising prospect well before his time



The Cardinal rule

"When one guy would move away, we never replaced him on the team with anyone else. We just kept the game going like he was still there," — The Sandlot.

Sunday Oscar Taveras, a Cardinals outfielder, and his girlfriend died in a car crash in his home town of Puerta Plata in the Dominican Republic. Taveras was just 22 years old.

Now I get that a lot of people aren't sports fans and find it odd for

some people to be upset about a death of a person they didn't know personally. Trust me, I feel slightly guilty because I may not have known who Taveras was if he was not on my favorite baseball team. Yet here I am, moved by the fact that Taveras was taken so early.

That's the thing about sports though, the Cardinals have been a part of my life for as long as I can remember. It sounds cheesy, believe me I know, but being a Cardinal fan has been part of who I am for longer than just about anything else that I identify with.

So as a result I read about Taveras and watched him when I could for the better part of the past three years. He was the Cardinals highest rated prospect since Albert Pujols. He tore it up in the minors. I made sure to go watch him any time that he came to play the Bees in Salt Lake. So I felt a sense of pride when I watched him make it to the big leagues and achieve his dream. Pride because



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he was finally showing everyone what I knew he could do.

On May 31 Taveras played in his first game. In his second at-bat he hit a home run. It promptly started raining. The rain warranted a delay seemingly for everyone both in and out of Busch Stadium to appreciate the start of a promising

career. At the time it was poetic, now even more so.

Just two weeks before Taveras died in that car crash he hit a game tying, pinch-hit home-run against the Giants in game two of the NLCS. Taveras' first and last hits of his all too short career were home runs.

Mike Matheny, the Cardinals manager, did not make a statement the night of Taveras' death saying he "just simply couldn't." However when he could finally formulate words he weighed in on what Oscar meant to his teammates. Here is the final part of his statement:

"In my opinion, the word 'love' is the most misused, and misunderstood word in the English language. It is not popular for men to use this word, and even less popular for athletes. But, there is not a more accurate word for how a group of men share a deep and genuine concern for each other. We loved Oscar, and he loved us. That is what a team does, that is what a family does. You will be missed, Oscar."

In the outpour of reactions on social media from those in baseball a recurring theme was his love of the game and his smile.

"Keep thinking about Oscar's

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Softball Halloween game brings strikeouts and scares



Mikayla Kapp photo

NOELLE JOHNSON PITCHES while dressed as Wonder Woman in Saturday's Halloween softball game. Jordyn McCracken, dressed as a police officer, swings at a pitch. The softball players and coaches all dressed in full costumes for the game.

Diaz named player of the week

► **By Kalen Taylor**
staff writer

Saturday afternoon at Romney Stadium Nick Diaz kicked two field goals and four extra points. In doing so he took control of a plethora of Utah State records and earned Mountain West Conference Special Teams Player of the Week honors.

This is the second time in his career he has been named player of the week and the first time this season. Diaz, a 5-8, 182-pound senior from California, is also part of the winningest senior class to ever play at USU.

Diaz is first all-time in extra points made at Utah State with 115 and tied for first in attempts with 119. He has made 96.6 percent of all extra points attempted which is sixth all time at the university. He is also sixth in points scored with 233.

Diaz is tied with Willie Beecher, who played at Utah State from 1981 to 1984, for fourth in school history with 36 made field goals. Diaz has attempted 47 field goals in his career and missed 11. His 76.6 percent career percentage ranks him second all time at the university.

This season Diaz is 9-11 on field goal attempts which gives him 81.8 percent. That percentage currently has him tied for 29th in the nation and in possession of third best in the MWC.

Nine games into the season so far Diaz can continue to set records for Utah State. The Aggies have at least five more games and the possibility of seven depending on the MWC championship and bowl game selections.

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NICK DIAZ KICKS a season-long 49-yard field goal in the Aggies' 34-20 victory against the UNLV Rebels Saturday.

Football

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Sophomore linebacker Nick Vigil filled the stat sheet with a career-long 31-yard rush, 1.5 sacks and his fourth forced fumble of the season.

Wells credited his ever-resilient team for the winning effort. "The things that we can control are the things we'll focus on," Wells said. "There will be no self-pity with this team and I continue to be amazed by them. We preach it, but they play it. These players deserve all the credit today."

Natson added that despite the adversity of injuries, the offense has adjusted to new quarterbacks well this season.

"I think the offense played really well today," Natson said. "Not the best, not what we expected, but we have new quarterbacks. We're rallying around new quarterbacks every week. Every time someone gets hurt, someone steps up. I feel like we were solid on offense. We had a few mistakes that we'll fix, most of it comes from executing."

That's our biggest thing is just executing." Junior linebacker LT Filiaga

echoed his teammate, citing last year's success as proof of the Aggies' ability to compete in the Mountain West no matter who's taking the snap.

"It's not like our team hasn't been in this situation before," Filiaga said. "I know last year Chuckie Keeton went down, and Darell stepped in and did a good job. We wrapped our arms around him. It's the same situation, just different people. We have to do the same thing, just carry on and wrap our arms around the next quarterback or whoever it is that goes down, and lift them up and give them confidence from the team."

The Aggies next face the 2-6 Hawai'i Rainbow Warriors on the road Saturday, Nov. 1 at 9 p.m. (MT).

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Oscar

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big smile in the dugout whenever we made a big play/ got a big hit," tweeted Pat Neshek, a Cardinal relief pitcher.

"I just loved the guy. He clearly had a rare talent and was an amazing player. He was an even better person," said Shelby Miller, a Cardinal pitcher.

"I'll always think of him as a young kid who was excited to be in the majors and who was excited everyday to live his dream," said Daniel Descalso, a Cardinal infielder. The Cardinals won't replace Taveras, not

really anyway. They will take the field with nine come spring, but it will feel hollow. A lot is going to be talked about what Taveras could have been and his ceiling. However what should not be forgotten is that this kid from the Dominican Republic made it. He was a major league baseball player, he had his post-season heroics and he captivated a city. So congratulations Oscar you made it, you made it to the big leagues, which is all a kid from the Dominican Republic hopes for. Now you can rest in peace.

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Utah State Athletics

Weekend scores

Women's Soccer

L vs UNLV 1-0

In a tough battle with the Lobos the Women's soccer team couldn't take advantage of the opportunities they had on the offensive end and came out with a 1-0 loss.

Football

W vs UNLV 34-20

The Aggies moved to 5-3 overall and 2-1 in Mountain West Conference play. QB Craig Harrison was 13-23 for 221 yards and 3 TD's before leaving in the 3rd quarter with an injury giving freshman QB Kent Myers his first game experience. The defense was stellar and had six total sacks and three forced turnovers. Nick Vigil finished with six tackles, including 1.5 sacks and a forced fumble.

Women's Volleyball

L vs #6 Colorado St. 3-0

The No. 6 team in the country proved to be too much for USU, as Colorado State swept the Aggies 3-0. The loss drops them to 5-5 in conference play and 9-11 overall. Rachel Orr led the team with seven kills while Paige Neves had 21 assists.

Women's Rugby

L vs UVU 40-15

In a battle for the #1 seed for next weekend's regional tournament the women's rugby team fell to Utah Valley University 40-15 in Orem Saturday.

Hockey

W vs Loyola Marymount 9-3

The Aggies beat Loyola Marymount convincingly Saturday at Eccles Ice Arena, winning 9-3 and bringing their overall record to 3-6, which includes a perfect 2-0 home record.

Men's Soccer

W vs Washington State 1-0

The Aggies kicked off the regional tournament beating the Washington State Cougars by the score of 1-0 in the quarter-final round of the regional tournament

W vs Portland State 3-0

The Aggies dominated the Portland State Vikings in their second game of the day, winning by the score of 3-0 in the semi-finals.

W vs Gonzaga 1-0

Utah State beat Gonzaga 1-0 to win the Regional Championship and earn an automatic bid to compete in the National Championship tournament in Nashville, Tenn.

Women's Soccer

W vs Nevada 4-0

In a dominating effort against Nevada, the women's team clinched a spot in the upcoming Mountain West tournament. Goals from senior Lauren Roundy, freshman Wesley Hamblin, sophomore Katie Flynn, and senior Kylie Dibb were more than enough to earn the victory

Golf

10th/20 @ Cal-State Northridge Invitational

Utah finished with a 10-over 874 to come in 10th place out of 20 teams. The Aggies were led by junior Seokwon Jeon who completed rounds of 68, 72, and 71 to finish in a tie for 7th place individually.



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Soapbox: Influx of forum letters a positive change

I have received a lot of letters in the last couple of weeks, many of them critical of The Statesman and the views expressed in its printed pages, and I love it because it means people are paying attention to issues on campus and want to talk about them.

Forum letters are extremely important. They express views that otherwise may go unheard, and they provoke



changes. I hope people understand that we are students learning to be professional journalists. I try to differentiate between those who have something they thoughtfully want to express and those who just need to sent me an angry rant, but either way, I love hearing the opinions of those who are involved with Utah State. Your voices are import-

ant. We're trying the best we can to get them out there and try to publish as many forum letters as possible.

In the first month and a half of school I only received about two letters to the editor. I hope the amount of dialogue does not disintegrate as time and national attention to these issues pass. Please keep reading; please keep writing; please keep caring.

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Horoscope love forecast: October 28

► By Jennifer Shepherd
The Lipstick Mystic (MCT)

Aries: March 21 - April 19

You'll get into a passionate discussion with somebody sexy this week, and sparks will fly. You won't be sure if you hate this person or love him or her. Mercury is creating some confusion. Take some time to sort out your true feelings.

Taurus: April 20 - May 20

This is a good week to work on improving your relationship. If you've been in a rocky one, don't give up just yet. Work with a therapist or other third party to get an outside perspective. The sun hints that there's something you're not seeing clearly.

Gemini: May 21 - June 21

A wild, crazy feeling is in the air. You'll want to dance naked by moonlight or chant strange, primal sounds to the stars. Or, you could just make passionate love to your honey. The moon says anything goes, and it's up to you to decide how you want to proceed.

Cancer: June 22 - July 22

You're in a mellow mood, thanks to the moon. Even if your partner is stressed out about something, you'll be able to remain calm and centered. Share that calm vibe with others who could use an encouraging word or two.

Leo: July 23 - Aug. 22

Don't let yourself get too grumpy this week, even though you'll probably want to sit and sulk about stuff. A moon opposition is reminding you of all the things that are upsetting in your personal life. You need to find a pleasant distraction.

Virgo: Aug. 23 - Sept. 22

You're experiencing more stability than you have in a while. Your romantic situation isn't as crazy, and you feel better about your current professional path, too. Mars will continue to help you over the next few weeks.

Libra: Sept. 23 - Oct. 23

You and your honey could clash over money matters. The moon is reminding you that both of you need to be on the same page about finances. If one of you is paying all the bills, things are getting out of balance and this needs

to change.

Scorpio: Oct. 24 - Nov. 2

Pay attention to your intuition. Venus is increasing that natural psychic ability of yours. Maybe you'll sense that someone in your circle is interested in you, even if this person is acting shy. It could be time to take action. Start flirting.

Sagittarius: Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

You might have a premonition about what you really want to be when you grow up. Jupiter is bringing you a sense of what your ideal future can be. You could realize something important about life and love. Pay attention to these moments of insight as they strike.

Capricorn: Dec. 22 - Jan.19

You and your honey will enjoy spending time together as the moon creates a feeling of light-hearted fun. Take a day trip together or go out to dinner at a new place. Do something different and put yourself in a fresh setting.

Aquarius: Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

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Forum letters

The Battle of Gamers vs. Feminists leaves USU as a casualty

To the editor:

In the battle of Gamers against Feminists Utah State took the fatal blow.

Oct. 15, Utah State University was to be the location of a presentation by Anita Sarkeesian on how women are depicted in video games. This however was changed with a threatening email the Monday before her presentation. Due to the threat Sarkeesian cancelled her event, because she claimed Utah State was not doing enough in means of security. Because of this Utah State has been subject to bad publicity, even though it was every intention of the University to increase security measures the night she would come.

The day before the presentation was supposed to happen, many students, myself included, received an email from the university describing the situation. I personally did not know about the situation or even the presentation until I received this email. From this email I learned that many students and some of the faculty received a threatening email to Sarkeesian and any who would attend the event. The university began to increase security by working with FBI and Utah's Information and Analysis Center to try to find out the origin of the email. We tried to do all we could do, but we received a fatal blow from Sar-

keesian.

Anita Sarkeesian is the author of the Video Blog "Feminist Frequency," where she often discusses the subject of how women are portrayed in media. After learning that Utah law allows the carrying of firearms with a valid permit, she cancelled her presentation. From there she had blamed the cancellation to "lack of security." On Twitter she even stated that she was not intimidated by the threats but she cancelled because of security. Not saying that she should not have cancelled, I am just upset in the way she did it. Due to how she cancelled, feminists and anyone against guns have used this as an example and have hurt Utah State's reputation, just to further their own causes.

I, however, believe that the focus of all this should have been spent on the man who sent the email in the first place. As far as blame on whoever made the threats, it seems like he just slipped away from blame all together. It was him who threatened Sarkeesian, not Utah State. It was him who threatened any who would go to the meeting, not Utah State. From parts of his email that I have seen he stated that feminists have "ruined his life" and he will get his revenge. Talk about an overreaction. Saying that a set of people ruined his life is preposterous not to mention the fact that he planned to just do a random killing act. That goes to show just how crazy he is. I believe that anyone, myself included, who puts out blame for a ruined life is just not willing to fix things or take responsibility for past actions.

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Vincent Johnson
student

“In this battle, a gamer delivered the first blow to the feminists, and in retaliation... they threw a punch at Utah State University.”



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Letters

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I am a big fan of video games. I was raised on adventures while sitting on my living room floor, and I have spent and will continue to spend much time playing them. From my experience playing video games I would agree with Sarkeesian in her opinion on how women are portrayed in video games. Too often they are over-sexualized, or even demeaned. I understand where she is coming from, so from this, I find myself in a very interesting middle ground between these two extreme groups. There seems to be a raging battle between the two groups in trying to outdo each other, but from this others are receiving damage — Utah State being a great example. The focus of the blame has been shifted to us — the university, our home and place of learning. The blame needs to be placed on the right person or group if necessary. Unfortunately it seems people have been jumping to making this a matter of freedom of speech or about gun laws or feminism. In the end, this is a matter of someone threatening the life of another.

Any who are reading this, I implore you, please remember that Utah State is home to many people who are trying to get their lives started. This university deserves our love and respect. We will owe a lot to this fine place, and I don't just mean money. In this battle, a gamer delivered the first blow to the feminists, and in retaliation, to me it seems, they threw a punch at Utah State University.

— Vincent Johnson

Concealed weapon carriers could defend free speech

To the Editor:

My name is Benson Munyan. I'm a Utah State alumnus. I've been following the events surrounding Ms. Sarkeesian. After your article about campus gun laws was brought to my attention, I express some thoughts on the matter.

A few facts to disclose before I get into the meat of my correspondence: I am writing to you from the University of Central Florida where I am working on my doctorate. The state of Florida does not permit permit holders to conceal carry on university property. In fact, it is a felony to do so here.

Four months prior to moving to Florida to begin my graduate studies, James Oliver Seevakumaran hashed out a plan to go on a mass shooting one block from where I am writing this. He had a plan and had it not been for his roommate calling the police moments before he intended to execute his plan, the event would likely have resulted in a far more tragic ending. Instead, Seevakumaran shot himself.

We don't have to put a whole lot of effort into imagining how this would have unfolded had the plan been initiated as planned. People would have died. More would have been hurt. Seevakumaran would have either shot himself anyway, been shot by police or maybe taken into custody. However, had a student been armed and in the path of this individual, the outcome may have been better than it otherwise would have. I am not above admitting this is speculation.

The law of permitting concealed weapons on campus in Utah was challenged to the Utah Supreme Court by the University of Utah. The University of Utah wanted to

ban firearms. They also lost in the highest court within the state of Utah.

Getting back to Ms. Sarkeesian.

Ms. Sarkeesian made a conscious choice to cancel her visit to USU. The officials of USU and the police followed the law and, as far as I can tell, best practices within the scope of the law. If Ms. Sarkeesian is disappointed with that or upset with the fact that the law would not be bent for her, that's her problem, which she is perfectly free to bitch about. Ms. Sarkeesian was never told she could not speak her mind. She was never edited, censored or redacted. She chose not to speak. She made a choice. She was free to choose otherwise.

The letter sent, which was mentioned in your article, seemed to indicate that somehow, banning guns from campus would assure free speech.

This assumption is, coming from presumably otherwise very smart people, absolutely indefensible.

I will use China as an example. China heavily regulates the ownership of firearms. In fact, regular citizens cannot own them as far as I am aware. Funny story: China is hardly known for free speech. These professors and their logic assume that the correlation between guns and free speech is a negative one — that is to say, that fewer guns equal more free speech.

How is it then that in countries around the world, governments control both? Ask the citizens of those countries how they feel about free speech. I would posit that the correlation between guns and free speech is much higher and more positive than they suspect. Gun ownership ensures free speech. If my China example was too farfetched, I'll give another. Iran 2009. Google it. Would the Iranian government be so willing to gun down their protesting citizens if the citizens could return fire? Maybe. But at least the people would have a fighting chance. How about the Arab Spring? I'm pretty sure unarmed protesters were shot there too.

One last point, and then I'll shut up. If there is any question about whether or not someone carrying a gun is a criminal on campus, I offer you the following advice: Guns don't make criminals. No more than a Ferrari does or your computer. It is an inanimate object.

If, gods forbid, the shooting starts, I'd advise you to duck or run. Those are your options when you're unarmed.

— Benson Munyan

Congressman Rob Bishop knows Utah

To the editor:

There is a reason that Utah keeps electing Congressman Rob Bishop; it is because he has been working with Utah's issues his entire life, and having been born and raised in Northern Utah, nobody understands them better than he does. In a state that is primarily owned by the federal government (over 60% of it), Utah needs someone who knows how to manage these lands, protect them

and has the connections to do so. Rob Bishop's main goal is to solve problems, not only for Utah but for the nation, and there is no one better or more experienced to solve them.

Why would you elect someone who will go to Congress as a first-term representative with little political experience, no connections and doesn't understand Utah or Utah's issues nearly as well as Rob Bishop does? The answer is you wouldn't; it does not make sense to elect someone who does not understand what they are doing and is incapable of impacting legislation.

Utah needs a Representative who is intelligent, experienced, understanding and pragmatic, and that is exactly what Congressman Rob Bishop is. He is willing to work between the aisle and find the best solutions there are. When you educate yourselves on the candidates, you will see the Congressman Rob Bishop is the best candidate there is. Vote for experience this election.

Congressman Rob Bishop said, "I am committed to helping Congress strike a balance for wise management of our public lands. Protecting private property rights and our Western way of life are goals I have. I am confident that the principles of multiple-use and protecting our environment can go hand-in-hand."

— Anthony Rodriguez

Carriers will save lives

To the editor:

I have just been reading (last) weeks' letters to the editor in the Statesman, and yesterday even read an article in the Herald Journal regarding the issue of guns on campus. I have to say to those 200 faculty members who signed a petition to President Albrecht and any other person wishing to ban guns on campus, shame on you. This year I have been hearing a lot of complaints about equality and how our rights are constantly getting trampled on, and yet you refuse to stand up for our constitutional rights. It is our right to carry concealed weapons and yet you would trash my rights in favor of your outdated and childish personal beliefs. Haven't you figured out yet that these laws you want changed only affect the honest people among us who are no threat to you or this campus? Look at copyright laws for instance.

The people that break the copyright laws and steal all their digital media don't care about laws. They do as they wish. The same holds true for the gun laws. Those that wish to abuse the system will do so at their leisure and with no qualms about breaking the law while the honest few will be punished for abiding by the laws. I don't personally carry or even own a hand gun but plan to sometime in the future, but I feel safer on campus knowing there are honest and trustworthy people who are legally carrying on campus and are willing to do so in an effort to protect those of us on campus who do not. Faculty members, pay attention as these are the people that will protect you in your classroom when a shooter comes on campus. These are the people that will stand up, put their life on the line and defend us while you cower under your desk.

I commend President Albrecht and our state leaders for standing up for these rights when others so readily trample them underfoot without regard to my rights. I commend all of you who legally carry on campus for standing up for what is right and being willing to defend us in time of need. God bless America and the rights that the Constitution gives us. God forgive those that trample upon the Constitution.

—Aaron Curdy

Soccer

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the happiest face I've ever had," Roundy said. "It felt so good and Lexie played me a perfect ball so it was worked up all the way from the defense and I was the last one to put it away."

Morgan also showed enthusiasm with ending her senior season at home with a win.

"We really needed this win," she said. "After Friday's loss we were a little disappointed with how we played, so it was important for us to come out and get this win. We qualified for the conference tournament with this win which was big. That's always the first step so that was huge. To score four goals, we had two seniors score on senior day so it was a great day."

Morgan added that playing in front of the home crowd made the win particularly touching.

"It was really special day," she said. "A lot of us had all of our families and friends here, it was really emotional at first when we were doing all the senior stuff. It was important for us after all of that to get down to business and we did that well. Hopefully next week we can finish out the season strong and were looking forward to going to San Diego. I'm so happy and so sad that this is over but it has been an amazing experience and I have loved every second of it."

USU head coach Heather Cairns was pleased with the game and the win for her seniors.

"This was a great way to bounce back from Friday," Cairns said. "It was great to end on a high note and send the seniors out of their last home game with a win. We're not done with them yet though, because this win got us into the conference tournament. We're going to keep plugging away and extend the season as long as we can."

Utah State women's soccer will conclude their regular season as they travel to Boise, Idaho to play Boise State. The Aggies and the Broncos are scheduled to play at 3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 31.

—laura.miego@aggiemail.usu.edu

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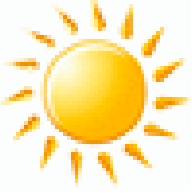
As an Air sign, you have a way with words. But sometimes people don't appreciate your playful sense of humor. Your honey could be dealing with something stressful during this Saturn transit and might not be in a joking mood.

Pisces: Feb. 19 - March 20


You could reconnect with someone you used to date as the moon creates some strange encounters. You're probably over this person by now, but it might be useful to talk to him or her again. You could realize something important about yourself in the process.

— Jennifer Shepherd, the Lipstick Mystic®, is an astrologer and syndicated columnist with over 2 million readers. For mystical fun and psychic insights visit www.lipstickmystic.com.







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Sunny




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Wednesday
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70/37
Friday
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Saturday
Sunny

Tuesday, Oct. 28

- Exhibitions 'Black Mountain College: Shaping Craft + Design' and 'Relational Forms' | Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art | Free; Suggested \$3 donation per person, 10 a.m.
- We Are Such Stuff as Dreams are Made On | Chase Fine Arts Center at USU | 10 a.m.
- The Game of Love and Chance | Black Box Theatre | Price: \$8 - \$13, 7:30 p.m.


Wednesday, Oct. 29

- Exhibitions 'Black Mountain College: Shaping Craft + Design' and 'Relational Forms' | Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art | Free; Suggested \$3 donation per person, 10 a.m.
- Corn Maze on the Farm | American West Heritage Center | \$6, 1 p.m.
- The Game of Love and Chance | Black Box Theatre | Price: \$8 - \$13, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 30

- We Are Such Stuff as Dreams are Made On | Chase Fine Arts Center at USU | 10 a.m.
- Corn Maze on the Farm | American West Heritage Center | \$6, 1 p.m.
- Little Bear Bottoms Corn Maze | \$0 - \$6 | 5 p.m.
- The Game of Love and Chance | Black Box Theatre | Price: \$8 - \$13, 7:30 p.m.
- Beauty and the Beast | Ellen Eccles Theater | Price: \$25 - \$39, 7:30 p.m.
- Scary Stories on the Lawn | Stokes Nature Center | Price \$5 - \$15, 7 p.m.

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Today is Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2014. Today's issue of The Utah Statesman is published especially for Jamille Parks, a senior majoring in history education from Hyde Park, Utah.

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